

Lesson 2 – Creating an Incident

Estimated time to complete: 15 minutes

In this lesson, you will be working from the **Intelligence** and **Incidents** tabs to:

- Create an incident on the Intelligence map.
- Edit the incident's location in incident information.

This lesson contains one exercise that will simulate an initial attack incident where a user assigned the WFDSS Dispatcher or Author role creates an incident in WFDSS without having been provided an initial latitude and longitude, and then has to edit the incident information when an update is provided.

BEFORE YOU GET STARTED:

If you plan to proceed through the suite of WFDSS 101 lessons or explore other lessons in the series, it's important for you to create your training incident on a unit that has data uploaded into WFDSS Training. Follow the instructions in Lesson 1 to determine how to do this.

If data has been uploaded into WFDSS training for the unit you've chosen to work with, you are ready to begin the exercise.

Creating an Incident

Users assigned the Dispatcher or Author role can create an incident in one of the following ways:




- Using the Create a New Incident tool on the Intelligence Map
- Using the Create New Incident link above the Incident List
- Uploading a WildCAD batch of incidents

When creating a new incident from the Intelligence Map, you do not need to enter the latitude or longitude; click a location on the Intelligence Map to determine an incident's location. You can update the coordinates later, if needed. Using the Create New Incident link above the Incident List, you must enter a latitude and longitude.

Once an incident is created, you can easily edit incident information on the Incident Information page. Dispatchers and Authors frequently visit this page to update the incident's latitude and longitude, size and affected jurisdictional agencies.

Creating your Training Incident:

1. Log in to WFDSS Training.
2. Select the **Intelligence tab** from the options across the top of the page. The Intelligence Map appears (you can change the default viewing area on the intelligence map by modifying your Intelligence Preferences).
3. Navigate to an area of federal land (your choice) using the following zooming method:

- a. Click the hand  icon in the upper left corner of the map screen and then hold the shift key down.
- b. Draw a rectangle around the area you want to zoom by clicking in the up left corner where you want begin your zoom and then moving your cursor diagonally to the lower right corner of where you want to zoom in.
- c. Release the left click to execute the zoom.
4. Click the Fire  icon.
5. Place the arrow on the location of your chosen ignition point, and then left click. A small yellow circle appears on the map in the location of the fire, and the latitude and longitude are automatically entered in the appropriate fields in the **Create Incident** pane.
6. On the left side of the screen in the Create Incident pane (make sure the triangle () is pointed up), click in the **Incident Name** field and type the name of your incident (for example 'Deep SRAA 16').
7. Click **Next**. The Create New Incident page appears, with the Name, Latitude, Longitude, and Incident Discovery Date pre-populated.
8. Enter a discovery of 0900 hours and 10 acres then click **Create**.
9. Click on the **Incident** tab and select 'Recent Incidents' from the drop-down menu. Select the radio button next to the incident that you just created, and then click **View Information**.
10. After several hours you discover:
 - a. The lat/long initially given was wrong and needs to be updated in WFDSS. On the **Information** tab (where you should be now), update the values in the 'Point of Origin Latitude' and 'Point of Origin Longitude' fields to reflect the corrected location.
 - b. In the last several hours, the fire has grown to 4,006 acres in the last several hours. Enter 4006 in the Acres box. Click **Save**

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